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SUBJ: GENERAL DEBATE, 19TH UNESCO GC

1. GENERAL DEBATE CONTINUES TOWARD CONCLUSION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 7, WITH SPEAKERS CONTINUING TO RELATE POLITICAL
CONCERNS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, WITH NO NEW MAJOR ISSUES.
KENYA CALLED ON MEMBER STATES TO INSULATE SOUTH AFRICA
FROM WORLD COMMUNITY, AS DID MOZAMBIQUE CALLING "THE RACIST
REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA AND ISRAEL, OBSTACLES TO PEACE,
WHICH CAN ONLY BE MET THROUGH REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE.

2. ZAMBIA ACCUSED "SOME WESTERN COUNTRIES", BY THEIR ACTIONS
IN THE UN AS ELSEWHERE HAVING ENCOURAGED RACISM IN SOUTH
AFRICA. IN LONG STATEMENT AGAINST "ISMS", ZAMBIA DID NOT MENTION
"ZIONISM". SOMALIA IN HARSH LANGUAGE CALLED ON UNESCO TO
TAKE STEPS AGAINST IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM, APARTHEID AND
ZIONISM, CONDEMNING "ZIONIST OCCUPATION OF PALESTINE" AND
"AGRESSIONS OF ISRAEL". SOMALIA PROPOSED THAT "ZIONIST" BE
EXCLUDED FROM PARTICIPATION IN ALL REGIONAL AFFAIRS OF UNESCO.
SOMALIA CALLED ALSO ON FRANCE TO END COLONIALISTIC ATTITUDES
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AND PRACTICES.

3. ALGERIA DEPLORED THE FACT THAT PALESTINE IS NOT SEATED IN UNESCO AND THE ATTEMPTS BY ISRAEL TO "DECULTURALIZE JERUSALEM", CHARGING THAT ISRAEL WOULD RATHER DESTROY UNESCO IF THEY CANNOT DOMINATE. TERM ZIONISM USED REPEATEDLY IN ALGERIAN STATEMENT, BLAMING "ANTI-SEMITIC ATTITUDES IN WESTERN EUROPE FOR THE PROBLEMS OF THE JEWS". ON SOUTH AFRICA, ALGERIA CONDEMNED THE ALLIANCE BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND ISRAEL AND THE WEST FOR "FURNISHING TECHNICAL NUCLEAR ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH AFRICA".

4. HARSH ANTI-UNESCO LANGUAGE ALSO PRESENT IN GENERAL DEBATE SPEECHES OF CONGO, UKRAINIAN SSR, AND SYRIA. CONGO CONDEMNED ZIONISM AND CALLED UPON ALL NATIONS TO "GET BEHIND UNESCO IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM AND RACISM". UKRAINIAN DEL FURTHER CONDEMNED FAILURE OF ISRAEL TO RESPECT RESOLUTIONS OF 18TH GC. UKRAINIANS REPEATED SOVIET LINE ON DISARMAMENT AND CONDEMNS CHILE AS "FACIST CRIMINALS".

5. SYRIA STATEMENT DEPLORED ISRAEL DEPRIVATION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE OF THE PEOPLE IN THE "OCCUPIED TERRITORIES". ISRAEL "WANTS TO ELIMINATE ARAB CULTURE IN PALESTINE". ZIONISM OCCUPATION EXPANSION AND AGGRESSION SUPPORTED BY THE SUPERPOWERS, MUST STOP".

6. REFERENCES CONTINUED THROUGHOUT GENERAL DEBATE SPEECHES TO "BLACK-MAIL" BY CERTAIN MEMBER STATES IN NON-PAYMENT OF DUES, DOING NOTHING MORE THAN HAMPERING WORK OF UNESCO IN THE THIRD WORLD AND FURTHER ISOLATING ISRAEL FROM THE ASPIRATIONS OF HUMANITY. DESPITE ABOVE REFERENCES, DEBATE OF MOST MEMBER STATES MOVING AWAY FROM POLITICS WITH REPORTS ON EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES AND RELATING TOSUNESCO PROGRAM IN DOCUMENTS 19 C/4 AND 19 C/5.
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